

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(16)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

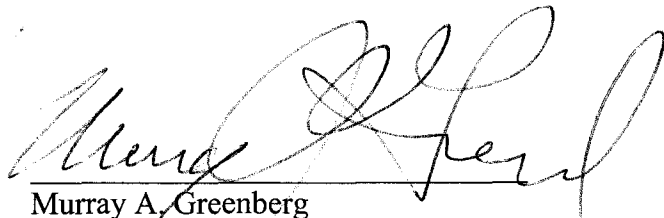
**DATE:** June 6, 2006

**FROM:** Murray A. Greenberg  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the State  
of Florida to provide  
testing for assisted living  
facilities administrators  
in Spanish and Creole

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of  
Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.



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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☐ No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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6-6-06

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO  
PROVIDE TESTING FOR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES  
ADMINISTRATORS IN SPANISH AND CREOLE

**WHEREAS**, Assisted Living Facilities (“ALF”s) serve a crucial function in Miami-Dade County by providing assistance and shelter to those residents incapable of living on their own; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County has more than 500 ALFs in operation; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the operators of ALFs are so-called “mom and pops” and serve an important function in their respective communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the current State of Florida ALF certification examination is only provided in English; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the administrators of small ALFs have difficulty in taking the State of Florida certification exams due to a lack of proficiency in English; and

**WHEREAS**, the community and ALF clients would be better served by the increase in certified ALFs that would result if the examinations are offered in Spanish and Creole; and

**WHEREAS**, the Elder Abuse Task Force, which was established by the Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) to make recommendations on the prevention of elder abuse, has recommended to the Board that the ALF certification testing be administered in Spanish and Creole, as well as English,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:**

**Section 1.** This Board urges the State to administer the ALF certification examinations in Spanish and Creole, in addition to English.

**Section 2.** The Clerk of the Board is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Chair and members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

**Section 3.** The Office of Intergovernmental Affairs is directed to include this issue in the County's 2007 state legislative packages.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Audrey M. Edmonson	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Glenn Saks